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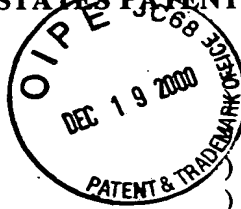
In re Patent Application of

Takashi KOBAYASHI, et al.

Application No.: 09/348,816

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For: AN EVAPORATOR, A HEAT
ABSORBER, A THERMAL
TRANSPORT SYSTEM AND A
THERMAL TRANSPORT METHOD



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Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

- ☐ A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.
- ☐ A Terminal Disclaimer and a check for ☐ \$55.00 (248) ☐ \$110.00 (148) to cover the requisite Government fee are also enclosed.
- ☐ Also enclosed is _____.
- ☐ Small entity status is hereby claimed.
- ☐ Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the ☐ \$355.00 (279) ☐ \$710.00 (179) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
- ☐ Applicant(s) previously submitted ___, on ___, for which continued examination is requested.
- ☐ A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (146/246) is also enclosed.
- ☐ No additional claim fee is required.

☒ An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

AMENDED CLAIMS					
	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADDT'L FEE
Total Claims	27	MINUS 26 =	1	× \$18.00 (103) =	18.00
Independent Claims	7	MINUS 5 =	2	× \$80.00 (102) =	160.00
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$270.00 (104)					0.00
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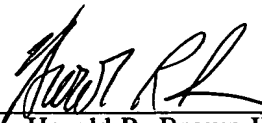
☒ A claim fee in the amount of \$ 178.00 is enclosed.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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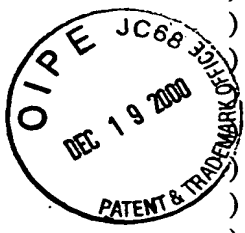
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated October 2, 2000, kindly amend the above-captioned application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 1, 3, 8, and 17 without prejudice or disclaimer.

2. (Amended) A thermal transport system comprising:

an evaporator for receiving heat generated at a heat generation unit, wherein the

evaporator comprises:

a) a liquid reservoir for accommodating liquid-phase working fluid;

b) a liquid supply port for supplying liquid-phase working fluid to the liquid

reservoir;

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